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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC
SUBSTANCES CONTROL and the TOXIC
SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACCOUNT,**

Plaintiffs,

v.

**CHEVRON ORONITE COMPANY LLC,
et al.**

Defendants.

Case No.: 2:21-cv-01737-DJC-JDP

**DEFENDANTS' STATEMENT OF NON-
OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS'
MOTION FOR APPROVAL AND
ENTRY OF CONSENT DECREE**

Date: January 4, 2024
Time: 1:30 p.m.

Dept: 10 – 13th Floor
Judge: Honorable Daniel J. Calabretta
Trial Date: None
Action Filed: September 24, 2021

1 Defendants respectfully submit this Statement of Non-Opposition regarding the Proposed
2 Consent Decree, which was lodged with this Court on August 24, 2023. (ECF No. 39-1.)

3 Plaintiffs, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control and the Toxic Substances
4 Control Account (“Plaintiffs”), currently have a Motion for Approval and Entry of Consent
5 Decree between Plaintiffs and the Defendants set for hearing before the Court at 1:30 p.m. on
6 January 4, 2024.

7 Defendants do not oppose entry of the Consent Decree. In fact, they support entry and are
8 unaware of any opposition.

9 Further, because the Defendants do not oppose entry of the Consent Decree and the Consent
10 Decree includes provisions with respect to notice, the Defendants respectfully request that the Court
11 waive any appearance requirements by the Newly Added Defendants.¹

12 In accordance with the Court’s Standing Order in Civil Cases, Defendants note they wish
13 for the Consent Decree to be approved and entered without oral argument. If the Court wishes to
14 hold a hearing, Defendants respectfully request the hearing be remote per E.D. CA. Local Rule
15 174 (Fed. R. Civ. P. 83). Defendants are aware of the Court’s standing order which “generally
16 disfavor[s]” remote appearances, but respectfully request the Court’s approval of remote
17 appearance in this matter if a hearing is necessary.

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25 ¹ The “Newly Added Defendants” are parties which were added in the amended
26 complaints consisting of: Bayer CropScience, Inc.; The Dow Chemical Company; Exxon Mobil
27 Corporation; ExxonMobil Oil Corporation; ExxonMobil Pipeline Company LLC; Ford Motor
28 Company; Georgia-Pacific LLC; HP Inc.; Mobil Exploration and Producing North America Inc.;
Mobil Producing Texas & New Mexico Inc.; Pacific Gas and Electric Company; The Procter &
Gamble Manufacturing Company; Texaco Downstream Properties Inc.; Union Oil Company of
California.

1 Dated: December 27, 2023

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